

BECOMING A NAVY SAILOR



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Welcome to America's Navy – a powerful presence in the world. Fulfilling a critical role in everything from conflict-related combat to peacekeeping to humanitarian assistance – at sea, on land and in the air.

You'll be joining an intensely trained, highly skilled community of young men and women who put their best foot forward in service to their country – while enjoying amazing benefits in return. The Navy is an employer of choice when it comes to making the most of your abilities in some of the most exciting and dynamic fields imaginable.

STEP FORWARD AND BE COUNTED

Whether you're looking toward high school graduation or searching for the perfect career, you'll find unrivaled training, educational opportunities and even scholarship offers. Incomparable benefits and experiences. And ultimately – professional advancement and personal fulfillment. America's Navy. There's no better way to impact the world with the work you do.



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THE ULTIMATE IN JOB SATISFACTION

It can come when you least expect it. When you enlist in America's Navy, you can count yourself among the highest-achieving professionals in their fields. You'll also enjoy some of the most exciting benefits. Like exceptional training and valuable team-building experience. With comprehensive health-care benefits and a highly competitive compensation package. It's all in addition to your incredible opportunity for adventure. Your status as a world traveler. Your service among peers who share your commitment to excellence. And the honor of performing a greater good in the world at large.

"I knew when I was graduating from high school that I wanted to do something exciting and different. About two years later, while driving a submarine in the Navy, I thought to myself, 'What are my high school classmates doing now? How many of them can actually say they have driven a \$3.4-billion nuclear submarine?'"

- Jason James, Petty Officer 1st Class,
Collinsville, Illinois

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LEAVE THAT DEAD END JOB FAR, FAR BEHIND

Find your passion. Then follow it to the top. Not all Sailors are the same. In fact, Navy Enlisted personnel can choose from more than sixty career fields – each one involving intensive, specialized training at some of the world's most advanced schools. You'll have the opportunity to rise to the top of your field in:

- Arts and Photography
- Aviation
- Business Management
- Computers
- Construction and Building
- Education
- Electronics
- Emergency, Fire and Rescue
- Energy and Power
- Engineering
- Finance and Accounting
- Food, Restaurant and Lodging
- Human Resources
- Information Technology
- Law Enforcement and Security
- Mechanical and Industrial
- Medical and Dental
- Music
- News and Media
- Office/Administrative Support
- Purchasing and Supply
- Religion
- Science
- Special Operations
- Telecommunications
- Transportation and Logistics
- World Languages

With Navy experience on your resumé, you'll be a top-tier candidate should you later seek employment in the civilian sector. For complete listings and descriptions of Enlisted roles in the Navy, visit navy.com or navyreserve.com.



A SECURE FUTURE. AND THE HONOR OF SERVICE.

First rate benefits...and a world-class opportunity. When it comes to financial advantages, the Navy amounts to much more than a competitive paycheck. As a Sailor in the Navy, you can look forward to:*

- Supplemental/bonus pay
- Scheduled pay raises and regular promotions
- Postgraduate education, fully funded by the Navy
- Post-9/11 GI Bill – funding for you or your family to use for school
- 30 days' vacation with pay earned every year
- Outstanding retirement benefits, plus a 401(k)-like thrift savings plan
- Comprehensive medical and dental coverage
- Tax-free allowances for housing and meals
- Tax-free shopping privileges at military stores
- Free or low-cost travel opportunities
- Access to military bases, clubs and recreational facilities all over the world
- 100% tuition assistance while serving
- Credentials/Certifications through Navy Credentialing Opportunities On-Line (Navy COOL)

*Benefits may vary for Navy Reserve. Visit navyreserve.com or contact a Navy Reserve recruiter for details.

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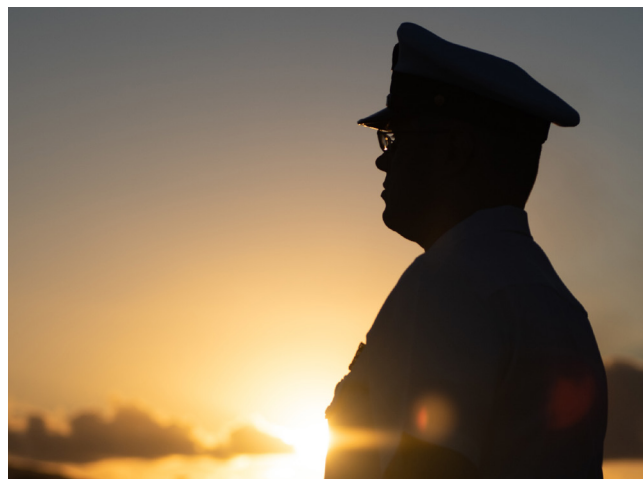


TRANSFORM YOURSELF INTO SOMETHING MORE

From Civilian to Sailor. Basic Training – All Sailors, Active Duty and Reserve, must complete Basic Training in Great Lakes, Illinois, where they receive instruction that is both physically and mentally intensive. Candidates should be prepared to receive a great amount of information and undergo rigorous physical exercise over the eight-week course.

While they are immersed in this course, candidates will learn hands-on skills such as lifesaving, computer training, shipboard firefighting and antiterrorism techniques, as well as acquire academic knowledge about Navy regulations and traditions.

“A” School – Sailors with job functions that require specialized training will attend “A” School. What they learn there will not only prepare them for a successful Navy career, but will also translate to valuable experience in the civilian sector. This training period can last anywhere from a few weeks to a few months.



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CONSIDER THE OPTIONS FOR SERVING IN AMERICA'S NAVY.

No doubt you, like many others, have personal goals in mind and obligations to address. We understand. That's why there are different ways that you can commit to serving your country in the Navy.

Active Duty Sailors serve full-time. This allows you to take full advantage of the available career and leadership opportunities. Enjoy the broad range of benefits. And experience incredible possibilities for travel and adventure.

Reserve Sailors serve part-time. This way you can maintain a civilian career while serving as few as two days a month and two weeks a year. With opportunities for additional service and pay. Additionally, you'll have the possibility of flexible drilling options to better meet service requirements. While enjoying many of the same advantages and benefits of full-time service.

How long will you have to serve? Active Duty Enlisted positions typically require an initial service commitment of four years (positions involving longer-term training may involve longer service obligations). Positions in the Navy Reserve require a service commitment of eight years.

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READY TO TAKE THE NEXT STEPS?

Once you're inspired, better informed and seriously interested, here's how to proceed:

1. TALK TO YOUR RECRUITER

- Find a local recruiter at navy.com/locator
- Ask questions
- Discuss your long-term goals
- Review your qualifications
- Go over relevant financial incentives and bonuses

2. APPLY FOR THE POSITION

- Go to navy.com/apply, follow the link at the bottom and complete the online application
- Provide personal information that includes your birth certificate, social security card and professional details (if applicable)
- Take the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) to help assess your skills and interests
- Pass a full medical examination
- Participate in a precommitment interview
- Take the Defense Language Aptitude Battery (DLAB) test

3. BEGIN YOUR TRAINING

- Attend Boot Camp in Great Lakes, Illinois (7 to 9 weeks)
- Get advanced skills training at a Navy "A" School (time varies depending on specialty)
- From there, you're ready to start serving as a Sailor and respected professional



DO THE RESEARCH

America's Navy is in great need of talented, motivated men and women like you. And there's no better way to launch a truly rewarding career than by enlisting in the Navy. For now, the best thing for you to do is read up. Find out about life in the Navy. Get in touch with people who've been in your shoes. And learn where to go from there.

Check out these valuable sources of insight:

navy.com and navyreserve.com – The primary source for comprehensive details on jobs and opportunities, to watch videos and to read testimonials.

[facebook.com/USNavyLife](https://www.facebook.com/USNavyLife) – Interact with current, former and aspiring Sailors on the Navy Facebook fan page. You can also find other Navy Facebook pages for in-demand careers.

Navy Recruiter – Get the details and information that only a knowledgeable recruiter can provide.

Share the knowledge! Pass along the enclosed card to someone you know who may be interested in learning more about becoming a part of America's Navy.

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